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SUBJ: AMBASSADOR'S CONVERSATION WITH GVN REPRESENTATIVE
DO QUANG NANG

REF: JAKARTA 3073

1. ON MARCH 20, I INVITED GVN REPRESENTATIVE NANG TO MY OFFICE FOR VISIT. I TOLD HIM THAT WE WANTED TO DO EVERYTHING WE COULD TO ASSIST HIM IN HIS MISSION HERE AND FILLED HIM IN ON REPRESENTATIONS I RECENTLY MADE TO ADAM MALIK ON BEHALF OF GVN (REFTEL).
 2. I ASKED NANG HOW HE THOUGHT INDONESIA WOULD VOTE IF PRG AND GRUNK ISSUES AROSE AT ECAFE MEETING. HE SAID HE FEARED BEST WE COULD HOPE FOR WAS THAT INDONESIA WOULD ABSTAIN.
 3. HE MENTIONED HIS RECENT UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT, REPORTED SEPTTEL, TO ENGENDER SUPPORT FOR GVN POSITION THROUGH ASEAN. MALIK, NANG SAID, WAS REASONABLY ACCESSIBLE AND ALWAYS FRIENDLY BUT ONE COULD NEVER BE
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SURE HOW HE WOULD VOTE OR WHETHER HE WOULD FOLLOW

THROUGH ON ASSURANCES GIVEN. NANG SAID THAT MALIK CLEARLY HAD FIXATION ABOUT "THREE VIETNAMS" SOLUTION AND WAS PRIMARILY CONCERNED WITH MAINTAINING WHAT MALIK REGARDED AS UNIQUELY VALUABLE GOI ACCESS TO DRV AND PLA. I ACKNOWLEDGED THE PROBLE.

4. NANG REPORTED FOLLOWING AS A WORRIESOME NEW DEVELOPMENT IN GVN/GOI RELATIONS: OVER PAST SEVERAL YEARS VIETNAM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PERSONNEL HAVE OBTAINED THEIR INDONESIAN VISAS AND EXIT AND RE-ENTRY PERMITS, WHETHER FOR DIPLOMATIC OF OFFICIAL PASSPORTS, THROUGH FOREIGN DEPARTMENT AND NOT THROUGH IMMIGRATION OFFICE. MARCH 19 SOME VIETNAMESE PASSPORTS WERE RETURNED TO NANG FROM FOREIGN DEPARTMENT WITH NOTATION THAT FROM MARCH 74 ONWARDS ALL VISAS MUST BE OBTAINED FROM IMMIGRATION OFFICE. NANG SAID HE CONSIDERED THIS A SERIOUS DOWN-GRADING OF HIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. NANG PLANS TO RAISE MATTER WITH ADAM MALIK. (THIS IN EFFECT NOW PUTS GVN OFFICE IN SAME STATUS AS ROC.)

5. NANG REQUESTED WE TREAT THIS PARTICULAR MATTER AS CONFIDENTIAL AND SAID HE HAD NOT YET REPORTED IT TO SAIGON BECAUSE HE IS AFRAID THAT GVN FOREIGN OFFICE WOULD RETALIATE ON GOI REPRESENTATIVES IN SAIGON AND SIMPLY MAKE MATTERS WORSE.

6. IN COURSE OF DISCUSSION OF OUR JOINT EFFORTS, NANG EXPRESSED THANKS FOR STEADY FLOW OF VALUABLE BACKGROUND AND SUPPORT MATERIAL FROM EMBASSY SAIGON AND INDICATED THAT HE PUTS IT TO GOOD USE LOCALLY. WE WILL CONTINUE TO

WORK CLOSELY WITH HIM WHENEVER WE USEFULLY CAN.
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